

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 04/12/2001

To: Los Angeles

Attn: Investigative Support
IRS [redacted]

Attn: [redacted]-3

From: Los Angeles
WCC-3
Contact [redacted]

Approved By: [redacted]

Drafted By: [redacted]

Case ID #: [redacted] (Pending)
[redacted] (Pending)

Title: MAJOR CASE 177
CARDKEEPER

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STERLING MICROSYSTEMS - VICTIM
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OO:LA

Synopsis: Set lead for IRS assistance with captioned case.

Details: Captioned FBI investigation has revealed that a hacking group called the Jester Group, operated out of Russia and the Ukraine, is responsible for numerous computer intrusions and extortion demands. Victim companies have been contacted by someone in the group claiming to have gain unauthorized access to the victim company's computer network and stolen customer and credit card information. The contact comes in the form of email, fax and/or telephone call and requests up to \$250,000 or the victim's customers' information will be published on the Internet. Variations of this scheme include the hackers requesting consulting fees for either scanning the victim companies' systems for security holes and/or requesting payment as security consultants to keep the compromised systems safe from future attacks.

In some of the cases, the victim's credit cards or accounts are used for fraudulent purchases or money laundering. In other cases, the hackers have diverted shipments of

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for set lead

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Re: [REDACTED] (Pending)
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LEAD(s) :

Set Lead 1:

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Los Angeles requests the assistance of IRS [REDACTED]
to conduct analysis on credit card information as described
above.

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electronics and/or equipment overseas using a combination of stolen credit cards, fraudulent accounts, organized crime contacts, and social engineering.

In January 2001, [REDACTED] Jester Group

[REDACTED] is currently being examined by Los Angeles. Los Angeles requests IRS [REDACTED] assistance with conducting analysis on the credit card files found on captioned laptop.

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